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Sir:

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The above-listed references are, in the belief and opinion of the undersigned, the closest art, that is required to be disclosed under the duty of disclosure, of which the applicant is aware as of the date of execution of the Declaration in the above-captioned application.

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